DFG Contact Information

License Sales

Hunting licenses are sold at the following DFG offices and at authorized license agents statewide. To find a license agent near you, visit the DFG Web site at:

http://dfginternal5.dfg.ca.gov/lasweb/

License and Revenue Branch

1740 N. Market Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95834 (916) 928-5805

Northern Region

601 Locust Street, Redding, CA 96001 (530) 225-2300 Serving counties: Del Norte, Humboldt, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama, and Trinity

Eureka Field Office

619 Second Street, Eureka, CA 95501 (707) 445-6493

North Central Region

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Marine Region

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Warning – Traffic Delays Anticipated Along I-5

A major construction project on I-5 in Sacramento could cause delays for hunters traveling to the DFG's License and Revenue Branch to turn in their big game drawing applications. The project, scheduled to begin in May of 2008, will impact traffic along I-5 between Richards Boulevard and the I-5 – Hwy 50 connector.

All applications for the big game drawing must be received at the DFG's License and Revenue Branch at 1740 N. Market Blvd. in Sacramento by 5:00 PM, June 2, 2008. To avoid being disqualified from the 2008 big game drawing, mail your application early or plan an alternative route and give yourself extra time to travel to the License and Revenue Branch.

To check current highway conditions on CalTrans Web site, visit http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/roadinfo.

Directions from I-5: Exit at Arena Blvd; travel east, toward Arco Arena, approximately 1.5 miles. Arena Blvd. becomes N. Market Blvd. Turn right into the parking lot.

Hunter Education Information/Classes

To find a hunter education class in your area, call one of the numbers listed below:

Northern District - (530) 225-2003 North Central District - (916) 351-0833 Central Coast District Office - (707) 944-5548 South Central District - (559) 243-4005 Southern District - (760) 947-8859 Southern District Office - (562) 799-8381

You can also take a hunter education course online! For more information, visit: www.dfg.ca.gov/huntered/.

Hunting Guide Services

For a list of licensed California hunting guides, visit: www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/hunting/hunting.html. Click on the "Publications and Lists" tab.

California Hunting Laws and Regulations

The full text of California's hunting regulations can be found in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, and in the California Fish and Game Code. Both can be found on the DFG Web site at www.dfg.ca.gov/regulations/index. html. Printed copies of the regulations are also available at DFG offices and license agents.

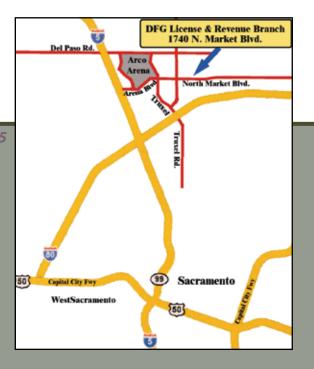


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~Tule elk at East Park Reservoir; cover photo by Mike Peters~

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What's New This Year

New Requirements for Hunting in Condor Range

Beginning July 1, 2008, it will be illegal to use lead ammunition for hunting deer, bear, wild pig, elk and pronghorn antelope in areas designated as California condor range. This area includes most of deer hunt Zone A, South Unit 110; and all of deer hunt zones A, D7, D8, D9, D10, D11 and D13, as well as the Fort Hunter Liggett, La Panza, and San Luis Reservoir tule elk hunts. For more information see page 11.

Validation Stamp No Longer Required for Hunter Education Certificates

As of Jan. 1, 2008, hunters are no longer required to purchase a Hunter Safety Validation Stamp and affix it to their Hunter Education Certificate.

In January 2005, the DFG implemented a new Hunter Education Certificate, which has a unique record number eliminating the need for a validation stamp. There are very few individuals who may still possess older Hunter Education Certificates, with no unique number that have not been validated. These individuals should contact their nearest DFG office to exchange the older Hunter Education Certificates with no unique number and no Hunter Safety Validation Stamp, for a new certificate with a unique number. If the Hunter Education Certificate has a Hunter Safety Validation Stamp, there is no need to exchange it for a new certificate with a unique number.

For information on Hunter Education, Hunting License requirements and a list of DFG offices, please visit DFG's Web site at www.dfg.ca.gov.

New Name, Same Great Hunts

The DFG has changed the name of its junior hunts and other hunts for beginners to better reflect the level of instruction and supervision they offer. Now called **Apprentice Hunts**, most of these hunts are still open only to hunters possessing a Junior Hunting License. Most include a pre-hunt safety orientation, and junior hunters typically must be accompanied by an adult.

New Definitions Proposed for Bull Elk, Antlerless Elk

The DFG is proposing a change to the definitions for Bull Elk and Antlerless Elk. Under field conditions it is very difficult to identify antlers above the hairline but less than four inches (which is included in the current definition for bull elk). The proposed definitions are as follows:

- Bull elk: Any elk having an antler or antlers at least four inches in length as measured from the top of the skull.
- Antlerless elk: Any elk, with the exception of spotted calves, with antlers less than four inches in length as measured from the top of the skull.

The Fish and Game Commission will consider the proposed changes at its May 9, 2008 meeting.

Additional Tags Proposed for Northwestern California Roosevelt Elk Hunt

The DFG offered a new elk hunt in Humboldt and Del Norte Counties in 2007 known as the Northwest-ern California Roosevelt Elk Hunt (#483). Overall success of the 2007 hunt was 90% and included animals harvested on both public and private land. The Fish and Game Commission may authorize 10 additional tags for this zone for 2008 for a total of 20 either-sex tags. Please contact the Eureka Field Office (707-445-6493) if you would like further information about this elk hunting opportunity.